

LIBRARY OCCURRENT

ISSUED BY THE

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION OF INDIANA

VOL. 4, No. 4

INDIANAPOLIS

OCTOBER, 1915

COMMISSIONERS

JACOB P. DUNN, *President*, Indianapolis
MRS. ELIZABETH C. EARL, *Connersville*
WILLIAM W. PARSONS, *Terre Haute*

EXECUTIVE STAFF

HENRY N. SANBORN, *Secretary and State Organizer*
CARRIE E. SCOTT, *Assistant State Organizer*
ELIZABETH RONAN, *Assistant State Organizer*
HELEN DAVIS, *Librarian, Traveling Libraries*
GRACE HORNE, *Assistant, Traveling Library Department*
ELIZABETH B. NOEL, *Stenographer and Assistant*

Issued in January, April, July, and October.
Distributed free of charge in Indiana.

Entered as second class matter June 13, 1911, at the postoffice at Indianapolis, Indiana, under the act of July 16, 1894.

THE STATE MEETINGS.

The most important activities of the Indiana library world are the annual meetings of the Indiana Library Trustees Association and the Indiana Library Association. Both meetings this year promise to be unusually interesting.

TRUSTEES MEETINGS.

Indiana, as far as we know, is the only state that has a Library Trustees Association. This Association not only exists, but is large and flourishing. On November 17 and 18, it will hold its Seventh annual meeting at the Hotel Severin, Indianapolis. The program bids fair to be the best in the history of the Association. Mr. Melvil Dewey, whose name and work are known to every librarian in the country, will be the chief speaker, delivering an address on Wednesday evening. Mr.

George B. Utley, Secretary of the American Library Association, will speak Thursday morning on the "Financial Responsibility of the Library Trustee to the Community." A reception will be held Wednesday evening after the address by Mr. Dewey.

Librarians as well as trustees are urged to be present at all sessions.

PROGRAM OF INDIANA LIBRARY TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

11:00 a. m. Registration.

2:00 p. m. Business.

Appointment of nominating committee.

Secretary's report.

Annual meeting of the I. L. A.

Report by Miss Jayne, Pres.

Library Assembly Room and Public Education. Mr. J. J. Pettijohn, Director of Extension Division of Indiana University.

President's Message: Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl.

8:00 p. m. Address. Mr. Melvil Dewey.

9:30 p. m. Reception.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

9:00 a. m. Financial Responsibility of the Library Trustee to the Community. George B. Utley.

Library as an Educational Force. Prof. Will D. Howe.

Round Table. Conducted by Henry N. Sanborn, Sec., Public Library Commission.

Business. Treasurer's Report.

Election of Officers.

LIBRARY OCCURRENT

A question box will be on the table during the day Wednesday to receive any questions for discussion at the Round Table Thursday morning. This Round Table discussion will be open to all trustees. It will also be the purpose of the leader to bring out discussion on the papers of the Conference as well as on questions presented by the trustees. Any who have topics they wish discussed at this meeting will please send them to Henry N. Sanborn, Secretary of the Public Library Commission.

Accommodations.

The headquarters will be at Hotel Severin as usual. The Severin is a new hotel, well appointed and conveniently located, one block from the Railroad Station. From the Interurban Station it can be reached by taking an Illinois Street car going south or by walking south on Illinois Street for three blocks. Every room has a bath. The hotel is run on the European plan, with the price of rooms from \$1.50 per day up. Reservation should be made at the hotel.

INDIANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Indiana Library Association meets first, on November 10 and 11 at Gary. Gary has been spoken of by Robert Herrick as one of the great bits of American imagination. The Gary Schools are famous the country over, and the Gary Library system, especially in its work with schools, has unusual interest for librarians. One morning has been reserved for a visit to the schools and libraries. Although Gary is not centrally located in the state, it is easily accessible from every corner of the state, and for those who wish, to travel in the night is possible, for Gary is near to and easily reached from Chicago. The Commission urges every librarian, assistant and trustee to be present and help make this meeting a record meeting in every way.

Program.

FIRST MORNING.

Meeting of executive board.
Registration.
Business meeting:
Reports of standing committees, etc.
Report of A. L. A. meeting, Mr. Sanborn.

FIRST AFTERNOON.

Address of president:
"Wider Use of the Lecture Room," J. J. Pettijohn, Director Extension Division, Indiana University, Bloomington.
Symposium: Rural Library Extension.
Miss Snipes, Plainfield.
Miss Joel, Valparaiso.
General discussion.
Address: Mrs. C. M. Curry, Terre Haute.

EVENING.

Address: W. D. Johnson, Librarian, St. Paul, Minn.
Reception.

SECOND MORNING.

Visit to Gary Schools and Libraries:
Address: "Relation of the School and Library," William Wirt, Superintendent of Gary Schools.

SECOND AFTERNOON.

Round Tables:
College and reference, Mr. Cunningham, chairman.
Assistants, Miss Sturgis, chairman.
Trustees and librarians, Mrs. Earl, chairman.
Miss Ahern, "The Librarian's Value to the Community."
Indiana centennial.
Final business meeting.

Meetings will be held in the Public Library, where the headquarters will be.

Accommodations.

Victoria Hotel, Seventh and Broadway.
Rates \$1.00, without bath; \$1.50 up, with bath.
Rates less for two in room. Gary Hotel, Sixth and Broadway. Rates \$1.00 and \$1.50 without bath; \$2.00 and up with bath.

Members may reserve rooms in advance by writing direct to the hotel managers.

Aside from the hotels, meals at reasonable rates may be obtained centrally at the Y. M. C. A. Cafeteria, The Chocolate Shop and other good restaurants.

Gary may be reached directly by the following Railroads: Lake Shore and Michigan Southern; Baltimore and Ohio; Michigan Central; Wabash; Pennsylvania, main line; Nickel Plate. The Gary and Southern Electric connects with the Panhandle branch of the Pennsylvania and the Erie R. R. at Crown Point, and with the Grand Trunk at Lottaville. Connections with Gary may also be made at Hammond and Valparaiso via the Gary and Interurban Electric. The Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend Electric and the Gary, Hobart and Eastern Electric also enter Gary.

LIBRARY SECTION OF THE STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

Friday, October 29, 9:00 a.m.
Room 12, State House, Indianapolis.

Program.

The Problems of the Small High School Library:

The Selection of Books: Miss Irene Rowe, Librarian, High School Library, Evansville.
Discussion: J. B. Percy, State High School Inspector, Indianapolis.

Miss Elizabeth Marble, Rising Sun.

Administrative problems: Miss Irene Warren, Librarian, The School of Education, University of Chicago.

General discussion of all topics is desired.

The Staff of the Public Library Commission has prepared an Exhibit of aids that should be inspected by all. It shows how other libraries are overcoming your own problems.

OFFICERS.

President—Louis J. Bailey, Gary.

Vice-President—Jane Dunlap, Richmond.

Secretary—Cerene Ohr, Indianapolis.

Librarians of public libraries will be welcome at this meeting.

SUMMER SCHOOL 1915.

On the 24th day of July the fourteenth session of the Commission Summer school for librarians closed a most successful term. The change in location of the school to Indianapolis was evidently a popular one, as, in addition to the large enrollment in both the regular and special courses, several of the librarians of the state visited the classes at various times.

Those who pursued the elementary work of the regular course were as follows:

Alles, Georgia, Public Library, Mt. Vernon, Ind.

Ashbaucher, Mrs. Ida, Assistant, Public Library, 503 W. Wabash Street, Bluffton, Ind.

Beckley, Mellie, Librarian, Public Library, Royal Center, Ind.

Blaich, Anna P., Librarian, Marion County Library, Indianapolis, Ind.

Browning, Netta D., Assistant, Public Library, Indianapolis, Ind.

Bussell, Mrs. Margaret, Assistant, Public Library, Greensburg, Ind.

Childress, Mrs. Lillian H., Librarian, Cherry Street Branch, Public Library, Evansville, Ind.

Christner, Lulu M., Librarian, Public Library, New Castle, Ind.

Cockrum, Mrs. Ida B.

Copeland, Ruby, Librarian, Branch Library, Indianapolis, Ind.

Doyle, Dorothy, Legislative Reference Bureau, Indianapolis.

Fair, Blanche, Librarian, Public Library, Walton, Ind.

Ferguson, Charlotte, Librarian, Butler College, Indianapolis, Ind.

Gable, Olive, Librarian, Public Library, Fowler, Ind.

Gunnison, Mrs. Gerna, Assistant, Public Library, Brazil, Ind.

Hadley, Helen, Librarian, Public Library, Mooresville, Ind.

Hull, Margaret M., Assistant Librarian, Public Library, Noblesville, Ind.

Jones, June M., Assistant, Public Library, Muncie, Ind.

Linebarger, Mary, Librarian, Public Library, Rockville, Ind.

Louderback, Ruth, Assistant, Public Library, Valparaiso, Ind.

Miller, Mabel V., Assistant, Public Library, South Bend, Ind.

Morris, Harriet, Librarian, Public Library, Westfield, Ind.

Moss, Zola, Librarian, Public Library, Culver, Ind.

Nelson, Florence, Assistant, Public Library, Gary, Ind.

Newton, Hazel D., Assistant, Public Library, Shelbyville, Ind.

Peters, Mrs. Birdie, Assistant, Public Library, Indiana Harbor, Ind.

Philips, Ida, Assistant, Public Library, East Chicago, Ind.

Pogue, Emma J., Librarian, Public Library, Monon, Ind.

Ridpath, Nell Marie, Librarian, Shortridge High School Library, Indianapolis, Ind.

Ryan, Nelle, Assistant, Children's Room, Public Library, Indianapolis, Ind.

Shearer, Mollie, Librarian, Public Library, Remington, Ind.

Stewart, Florence H., Assistant, Public Library, Whiting, Ind.

Stier, Rachel, Aurora, Ind.

Thomas, Ruth, Assistant, Public Library, Evansville, Ind.

Thompson, Grace, Librarian, State School, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Trost, Frieda, Assistant, Public Library, Indianapolis.

Tukey, Helen, Assistant, Public Library, Marion, Ind.

Ten experienced librarians, many of them with previous training, enrolled in the special course, July 7-21, and two others took part of this work, which followed in general the program as outlined in the June Occurrent. Miss Roberts, Librarian of the Pottsville (Pa.) Public Library, discussed many things beside cataloging in her course of twelve two-hour periods, including a most illuminating demonstration of typewriters for library use. She also conducted the Round Table and question box for the whole school, which forms a part of each session, and in many ways added greatly to the success of the school. Miss Shaw's work in mending and binding was given to all the students, and included both lectures and practice work, for which the class was divided into small sections. Most of the lectures by outside librarians were given during

these two weeks, that both regular and special students might enjoy them. The fact that there were many requests that another such course be given next summer seems to indicate that there is a decided demand for such advanced work. Those in this year's special class were:

Helen Barbour, Librarian, Public Library, Bloomington.

Olive Brumbaugh, Librarian, Public Library, Frankfort.

Zada Carr, Librarian, Public Library, Alexandria.

Carrie S. Crosby, Librarian, Public Library, Mishawaka.

Katherine Fisher, Librarian, Public Library, Attica.

Ada Florence Fitch, Librarian, Public Library, Lawrenceburg.

Mrs. Minnette Gary, Librarian, Public Library, Warsaw.

Ida Lewis, Librarian, Public Library, Shelbyville.

Mary Sleeth, Librarian, Public Library, Rushville.

Grace Stingly, Librarian, Public Library, Rochester.

Part Time.

Miss Wilkes, Assistant, Rushville.

Mrs. Clara B. Jones, Librarian, Osgood.

The following were the special Lectures:

Samuel H. Ranck, Librarian Grand Rapids (Mich.) Public Library—Rural extension for libraries. (Illus.)

H. S. Lindley, Secretary Indiana Historical Commission—Indiana Centennial and Local History Collections.

Miss E. G. Browning, Librarian Indianapolis Public Library—Indianapolis Public Library.

Mr. D. C. Brown, Librarian Indiana State Library—Librarian's own reading.

Mr. John A. Lapp, Chief Legislative Reference Department, Indianapolis—Library and Vocational Education.

Miss May Massee, Editor A. L. A. Booklist, Chicago—Choosing fiction. Poetry for Children.

Miss M. E. Ahern, Editor Public Libraries, Chicago—Fashioning a librarian. Business side of librarianship.

Miss Ethel F. McCullough, Librarian Evansville Public Library—The Library Staff.

Mr. Matthew S. Dudgeon, Secretary Wisconsin Library Commission—Library budget. Library Publicity.

F. G. Melcher, President Drama League, Indianapolis—Libraries and the drama.

Miss Anna L. Holding, Librarian Van Wert County (Ohio) Public Library—Brumback Library.

Mr. Louis J. Bailey, Librarian Gary Public Library—Gary Public Library System. American Publishers.

Miss Ethel F. Cleland, Legislative Reference Department, Indianapolis—Municipal reference work and free material.

No extensive trip was taken this year, as the various Indianapolis libraries served to illustrate the work of a large library system, and the most enjoyable afternoon spent at the Plainfield Public Library, with Miss Snipes as hostess, demonstrated to the class how a small library may be made most efficient. The class also visited, in small sections, the W. K. Stewart book store, where they were made familiar with all the many activities of the up-to-date bookseller.

The Butler College authorities showed the school every possible courtesy, opening additional rooms when the large classes made it necessary, and giving the use of the chapel for the public lectures. A word of appreciation is also due for the efficient management of the dormitory, which aided very materially in making the summer's work a success.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

The Commission has recently had printed and from now on will distribute a new form of annual report blank. At the mid-winter meeting of the A. L. A. Council at Chicago last winter, there was adopted a uniform outline for reporting library statistics. When libraries have different methods of keeping and interpreting their statistics, they make impossible any comparison of library reports. If the reports of libraries printed in the Public Library Commission Report are to have any significance, the statistics reported must be made according to the same method. On the report

blanks to be sent the Indiana libraries, have been printed the notes, definitions, rules that the A. L. A. Council adopted as to branches, distributing agencies, volumes, additions, and circulation. The monthly report blank was also revised last spring so that the desired information can be transferred from it to the annual report blank. In addition to the items required by the A. L. A. Council, the Commission has included other items formerly on the Annual Report forms which are essential for purposes purely local in Indiana. The Commission hopes that the librarians will give these rules their careful attention and help the effort for uniformity by making up their statistics according to the recommended method. If any points are not clearly understood, the secretary of the Commission will gladly answer any questions.

THE LECTURE COURSE.

The management of the third lecture offered to libraries during the last two years by the Public Library Commission, has at the request of the Commission, been taken over by the Extension Division of Indiana University at Bloomington. This Extension Division has better facilities for managing such a course, and is prepared to aid financially in obtaining interesting speakers. The Commission feels certain that these lectures in library auditoriums, having already proved highly successful, will under new management take on an added interest and value. It, accordingly, urges the libraries as far as possible to avail themselves of this opportunity to further the educational progress of their respective towns. The details of the plan will be announced later when complete; certainly at the State Library Meeting and the Trustees' Meeting. In general the plan is to make a uniform charge of \$8.33 a lecture to cover all expense to the library. Hitherto, the library having a lecture, has paid the expense of the lecturers, which naturally varied according to the distance the lecturer had to come. By the present arrangement, all libraries will pay the same fee. As this fee will not make the project self-supporting, the Extension Division is prepared to bear the necessary additional cost, an expense which the Public Library Commission could not bear.

THE LIBRARY ART CLUB.

The Library Art Club, the formation of which was announced in the June number of the Occurrent, has made most satisfactory progress both in increased membership and collecting of excellent exhibits. The following libraries have already become members of the Club: Alexandria, Anderson, Attica, Aurora, Brook, Bluffton, Boonville, Carmel, Carthage, Corydon, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Franklin, Gary, Jeffersonville, Kendallville, Kentland, Kewanna, Lagrange, Liberty, Linton, Marion, Martinsville, Monon, Noblesville, Peru, Plainfield, Roachdale, Rochester, Royal Center, Seymour, Sheridan, Terre Haute, Tipton, Vevay, Warsaw, Waterloo, and Westville. These exhibits are practically ready to start on their circuits.

Exhibits of the Library Art Club of Indiana.

An Artist's Impressions of Argentine Republic:
30-color reproductions of originals by A. Vaccari. Gift of Senor Horacio Anasagasti, Commissioner-General to Panama Pacific Exposition from Argentine Republic.

Costume Design:

12 mounts in Costume design loaned by Miss Estelle Peel Izor, Manual Training High School.

Egyptian Art:

20 large carbon photographs loaned by Elson Art Publishing Company, School Street, Belmont, Mass.

An Exhibition of Photographs Showing the John Herron Art Institute, its Collections and Activities:

58 photographs. Gift of the John Herron Art Institute.

French Art:

75 photographs, gift of the Indiana Federation of Clubs.

Greek Art:

25 large carbon photographs. Loaned by Elson Art Publishing Company, School Street, Belmont, Mass.

Gustave Baumann, 910 South Michigan Ave., Chicago:

12 wood block prints of views in Brown County, Indiana, loaned by the artist.

Indiana Illustrators:

29 original drawings. Loaned by Bobbs-Merrill Publishing Company and individual artists. Collected by W. K. Stewart Co., Indianapolis.

Interior Decoration:

Interior designs loaned by Paul Hadley and Lucy M. Shover. Wall paper and furniture designs.

Japanese Prints:

27 birds and flowers purchased.

Japanese Prints:

15 landscapes purchased.

Mexico:

16 prints. Gifts of National Geographic Society.

Michelangelo Series:

23 university prints. Presented by the Bureau of University Travel, 31 Trinity Place, Boston, Mass.

Monsters of Our Back Yard:

31 prints. Gift of National Geographic Society.

Northern Africa:

16 prints. Gift of the National Geographic Society.

Our National Capital:

32-color prints. Gifts of National Geographic Society.

Painting of the Italian Renaissance:

30 large carbon photographs. Loaned by the Elson Art Publishing Company, School Street, Belmont, Mass.

Reproductions of Designs by Olive Rush:

23 prints and photographs loaned by the artist.

Rookwood Pottery:

18 photographs loaned by the Rookwood Pottery Company.

San Diego Panama California Exposition:

22 mounted photographs. Gift of Exposition Committee.

Story Hour:

22 color prints. Gift of Osborn Art Company.

Thibet:

9 prints. Gifts of National Geographic society.

Velasquez and Romney:

31 color reproductions. Gift of Mrs. H. B. Burnet.

Wedgwood Pottery:

22 mounts. Gift of Wedgwood Company.

Wild Flowers:

31 colored plates from According to Season by Mrs. Frances Theodore Parsons. Gift of Charles Scribner's Sons.

Wild Flowers:

49 colored plates from How to Know the Wild Flowers by Mrs. William Starr Dana. Gift of Charles Scribner's Sons.

Wild Flower Exhibit:

24 colored prints. Gift of National Geographic Society.

Schedules are now being made out for the year. A meeting of the members will be held at Gary at the time of the State Library Meeting.

LIBRARY PUBLICITY.
The Library on Boosters' Day.

Huntington, Ind., July 20, 1915.

My Dear Mr. Sanborn—You have very kindly expressed an interest in the Float entered by our Library in Huntington's Booster Day parade. I introduced the subject to my Library Board, with some misgivings, I am sorry to say, as they responded immediately and most heartily, much to my joy. Mr. Torberg, one of the members, procured for us, free of cost, a brand new sixteen-foot wagon, seven feet wide. A team of horses, and a driver who was willing to wear a silk hat and a white coat, were part of the outfit. One of our lady members, was made chairman, and she asked several of her friends to assist in the decorating of the float. Green and white rolls of Dennisons Crepe paper were used in decorating the wheels of the wagon, and wrapping the uprights of the canopy, etc. You might be interested in knowing about the costs of this undertaking. Our bill for crepe paper, about 26 rolls at 5 cents a roll, and 5 balls of white tissue paper fringe at 25 cents a ball, and 10 plumes at 10 cents each, 2 for the horses, and 8 on the float, was only three dollars and 55 cents. The lum-

ber purchased from the mill for the uprights and for seats, was not over a dollar and a half.

At the dry goods store we purchased white muslin to make the horse blankets, and white cheese-cloth to drape the side of the wagon. Our indebtedness here was one dollar and a half.

My share of the work consisted in making the picture bulletins which adorned the sides of the float. I had two dozen sets of the alphabet printed for me at the printing office. These letters were three and three-eighths inches in height, and were the blackest of black ink, on rather heavy paper, and took the paste beautifully. Of course I had to cut them all out, but the gummed letters we get from Stewart's and elsewhere, are not large enough to be seen across the street. I used white mounting board 22x28 inches. Two of the bulletins, one for each side of the float, had the words—THESE CHILDREN USE THE LIBRARY. DO YOU? On the cover of the Ladies Home Journal for March of 1912, was the face of a little child crying bitter tears, as round as round could be.

I cut this head out and mounted it on one of the boards, and pasted the words—HE CRIES FOR LIBRARY BOOKS. This bulletin was a favorite with the majority of the crowds on the street that day. From the covers of the Saturday Evening Post and The Country Gentleman, I took for another bulletin, a large hog, a group of hens, a large red apple, and a pretty yellow and green ear of corn with these words—THE LIBRARY HAS BOOKS FOR THE FARMER. On the opposite side of the float, was another bulletin with pictures of chickens and the words—LEARN ABOUT POULTRY AT THE LIBRARY—pasted on it. In the float we had a number of small children dressed in white seated at one of their own library tables, the little round one found in every library. The bulletins—THESE CHILDREN USE THE LIBRARY. DO YOU—were supposed to refer to these children. At each end of the float were older girls with books, tennis rackets, sofa pillows, etc., and bulletins reading—BOOKS FOR VACATION—and—READ LIBRARY BOOKS ON YOUR VACATION—were tacked to the uprights over them.

Then there were two bulletins giving circulation statistics and the number of volumes in

the Library. Each horse wore a white muslin blanket, with the words—PULLING FOR THE LIBRARY—on the side of the blanket facing the street, and across the back of each horse were bundles of books strapped together to look like saddle-bags.

I am afraid that this description will not mean much, without the photographs to tally with. I do not know how much this undertaking helped us as a Library, but it surely proved that we are a LIVE institution, not a dead one.

Respectfully yours,

WINIFRED F. TICER,

Librarian.

The Library at Chautauqua.

Noblesville, August 14, 1915.

Mr. Henry N. Sanborn, Public Library Commission, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—I am enclosing a picture of our tent taken at the Chautauqua grounds. We had six taken but this is the only one that is satisfactory. It cost about ten dollars to place the tent on the grounds: Tent, \$6.00; floor and transportation the rest. The Chautauqua furnished the ground and the lights.

The Chautauqua is always in session eight or nine days. We closed the City library at 5 p. m. each day, the substitute worked from 11 to 12, and either Miss Hull or I came to work at 12. One of us opened the Chautauqua tent in the morning and it was open all day until 7 p. m. excepting during the program.

We used the cases which we use for township extension for the books, locking them up at night. Bishop Hughes lectured on the Psychology of the boy, so we had books on the boys problem. Miss Helen Keller was there, and we had her life with our books. The other books were outdoor books and books we wished to advertise. We had some short stories, a stack of the magazines, Life, Outing, Saturday Evening Post, Modern Priscilla, etc. Also we had the daily papers.

We had the invitations to our tent announced from the platform for the first two or three days.

We had a register for our visitors and we had about three hundred visitors during the week. We had tables and chairs and allowed people to sit outside or inside the tent as they

wished and were not very strict about conversation. Many people camp on the grounds which are just outside our city, but many of the people just have season tickets, and most of these bring picnic suppers so that they were very glad to have our tent to use. We think it made friends for the library and we have been very busy this week, so we know that it was a good advertisement.

Of course there are many changes I would make in the arrangement of this kind of a tent again. One of the most important would be that we would not close the tent during the program, but keep a number of magazines on the tables for the people who did not wish to hear a particular part of the program. Other changes would be in the arrangement of the tent.

Very truly yours,

LULU M. MIESSE,

Librarian.

The following invitation printed on a postal card is sent out by the Peru Public Library.

Peru, Indiana.

The main building of our Free Public Library is located on Main and Huntington Streets. It is open all day. Our West End Branch is on the second floor of the Holman Street School Building, corner of Main and Holman Streets. Open Wednesday afternoons from three to five o'clock. We shall be glad to have you visit either or both libraries and use them.

GERTRUDE THIRBAUD,

Librarian.

VALUABLE PERIODICALS.

The New Republic.

In these days of new periodicals it may seem strange to speak of a periodical about to celebrate its first anniversary as new, but among its peers—all periodicals of high and long standing—the New Republic is indeed new. The management of the New Republic reports nearly a thousand libraries as subscribers. The New Republic is unique among American periodicals. Its editors and contributors are well-known students and writers on social, political and literary subjects. The point of view is unquestionably progressive, but never de-

structively radical, and the literary style is unusually high. It is in every sense a "journal of opinion" and of opinion (if not always the reader's opinion), eminently stimulating and worth while. As a reference tool in the library the New Republic is extremely useful. The smaller library may even find it worth while, if further subscriptions are impossible, to substitute the New Republic for some periodical already on the list. Through the publishers of the Reader's Guide, the management has recently offered to send to libraries all back copies of the New Republic, from the first published (November 7, 1914) to January, 1916, for the yearly subscription price of \$4.00. This offer, which holds good until the supply of back copies is exhausted, is well worth accepting.

The Editorial.

A new and interesting weekly, the "Editorial," was started on May 6, 1915, at South Whitley, Indiana, under the editorship of John B. Stoll of South Bend. Many prominent persons in the state are speaking enthusiastically of this periodical and the reference department of the State Library reports it very useful. Each number contains pertinent comment by the editor, Selected Editorials, Some Random Thoughts, Condensed Thoughts. The editorials selected from leading journals over the country, cover a wide range of subjects and should be of real use in club and school work, as well as profitable reading for one interested in world events. A very practicable index was issued at the end of the first quarter. The annual subscription is \$2. The business manager, Frank E. Miner, Atoz Printing Co., South Whitley, Indiana, will doubtless be willing to send sample copies to any library.

AN HISTORICAL EXHIBIT.

A most attractive and inexpensive collection of 15 Indiana Pioneer Pictures has been published by the Educator-Journal Company, 403 Newton Claypool Building. These plates, 7x10 inches, are in sepia and mounted on board of a harmonizing color make a very tasteful exhibit. The list of subjects is:

1. Frances Wright of New Harmony.
2. Governor Jonathan Jennings.

3. Little Turtle.
4. State Capitol at Corydon.
5. First Capitol at Indianapolis.
6. Present Capitol.
7. Constitutional Elm at Corydon.
8. William Henry Harrison House at Vincennes.
9. Eggleston House at Vevay.
10. Robert Dale Owen.
11. The Circuit Rider.
12. Early French Mission.
13. The Pioneer Home.
14. Pioneer Fortress at Ft. Wayne.
15. Pioneer School and Pioneer Church.

On each there is a paragraph of comment which can be mounted with the picture. A special price of 40 cents is made for libraries.

READING CIRCLE BOOKS.

The books chosen this year for the Indiana Young People's Reading Circle are fully up to the usual standard. Those chosen for the first five grades show a better selection than do those for the sixth, and seventh, and advanced grades. In the sixth and seventh grade list Cinders and A Bookful of Girls are mediocre. The Advance list shows the poorest selection. Mothering on Perilous and When Max Came and Making the Farm Pay are excellent. The other books in this section are either of slight value or not especially adapted to the purpose for which they were selected. As usual, librarians may feel that there are several of the books on the list it is not necessary to buy, but the greater number of the books are well worth purchasing.

REPORT ON TAXATION.

The Commission of Taxation, appointed by authority of the last legislature to investigate the need of Tax reform in Indiana, has published the first section of its proceedings, and is sending copies to the libraries of the State. The aim is to present to the public the various views of defects in the tax laws, and the remedies advocated, with the discussion of their merits and objectionable features as brought out in the investigation thus far.

DIRECTIONS FOR CARE OF CORK CARPETS.

As soon as your cork carpet is fastened to the floor have it mopped with clear cold water, hot water shrinks it. As soon as it is quite dry have it oiled with one pint linseed oil and one pint turpentine. Apply a thin coating of this with a wide varnish brush and rub it in thoroughly with a weighted brush covered with flannel. Do not walk on the floor until the oil is quite dry. If well rubbed in, this will probably mean that you will have to stay off the floor about four days.

Our floors are mopped every other day and oiled twice each year.

ETHEL F. McCOLLOUGH.

ADDENDA.

The following titles were unintentionally omitted from the list of books on Indiana printed in the Occurrent for April, 1915.

Harding, C. H. and Harding, S. B. City of the Seven Hills. Scott, 50c.

Pelham, C. C. Story of New Harmony for Children. Author, New Harmony, Ind., 25c.

DIRECTORY FOR LIBRARY SUPPLIES.

Note: Suggested by and copied in part from News Notes of California Libraries, July, 1915. This is not a complete list of even the first-class houses, but only of the better known, and, for Indiana, more conveniently located firms.

A. L. A.

Booklist:

78 E. Washington St., Chicago.

Catalog:

1904 ed. \$1. Supt. of Docs., Government printing office, Washington, D. C.

1904-11 ed. \$1.50. A. L. A. Publishing Bd., 78 E. Washington St., Chicago.

Headquarters and Publishing Board:

78 E. Washington St., Chicago.

BINDING AND MENDING.

Binders:

Chivers Book Binding Co., 911-13 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Hertzberg & Sons, 108-10 Randolph St., Chicago.

Hunting, H. R., Co., Springfield, Mass.

Lockman Co., 11 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis.

Olaf Lokke Book Bindery, Bloomington, Ind.

Northwestern Bindery, Evanston, Illinois.

Schnabel, C. A., 324 West Tenth St., Indianapolis.

Stockman, Max, & Sons, 3825 Perry St., Chicago.

Wagenvoord, J. Wm., 305-307 Michigan Ave., East Lansing, Mich.

Winekler, H. P., 322 Main St., Cincinnati.

Binding Materials:

Democrat Printing Co., Madison, Wis.

Mending Materials:

Gaylord Bros., Syracuse, N. Y.

Book Covers:

P. F. Van Everen, New York City.

F. R. Derrick, Broadhead, Wis. (penny book cover).

Book Plates:

Democrat Printing Co. (plain).

Gaylord Bros. (decorated).

Library Bureau, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago (decorated).

Book Pockets:

Democrat Printing Co., Madison, Wis.

Gaylord Bros., Syracuse, N. Y.

Library Bureau, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Book Slips, Name Slips, Etc.:

Democrat Printing Co., Madison, Wis.

Book Stacks, Metal Furniture, Etc.:

Art Metal Construction Co., Jamestown, N. Y.

Library Bureau, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

Snead & Co., Jersey City, N. J.

Book Support, Bracket and Pedal for Perforating Stamp and Other Mechanical Devices:

Democrat Printing Co., Madison, Wis.

Gaylord Bros., Syracuse, N. Y.

Library Bureau, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

BOOKS.

Baker Taylor Co., 33-37 East 17th St.,
New York City.
McClurg, A. C., 215 Wabash Ave., Chicago.
Malkan, 18 Broadway, New York City.
Stewart, W. K., & Co., Indianapolis.

Foreign Books:

Lemcke & Buechner, 11 East 17th St., New
York City.
Stechert, G. E., & Co., 151-55 West 25th
St., New York City.

Second-hand Books:

Caroline Himebaugh, 415 Fifth Ave., New
York City.
McDevitt-Wilson Book Shop, 30 Church
St., New York City.
Henry Malkan, 18 Broadway, N. Y. C.
C. V. Ritter, 1700 Old Colony Bldg., Chi-
cago.

Catalogue Cards:

Democrat Printing Co.
Gaylord Bros.
Library Bureau.

Clippings:

Indiana Press Clipping Service, 920 Hume-
Mansur Bld., Indianapolis.

Cutter Tables:

Library Bureau.

Ink, White (Davids' Letterine):

Democrat Printing Co.
Davids & Co., 127 Williams St., New York
City.

Magazine Covers:

Gaylord Bros.

Magazine and Pamphlet Boxes:

Democrat Printing Co.
Gaylord Bros.
Library Bureau.
Various sizes and prices; see catalogs.
H. Schultz & Bros., 517-30 W. Superior St.,
Chicago. (Magazine size, \$6 per 100.)

Mounting Papers:

Democrat Printing Co. (Brown King
Kraft.)
Moore-Langen Printing Co., Terre Haute,
Ind. (cover paper, 500 sheets for \$2.50).

Newspaper Racks and Files:

Gaylord Bros.
Ideal Paper File Co., Adrian, Mich.
Library Bureau.

Pamphlet Binders:

Gaylord Bros.

PERIODICALS.**Back Numbers:**

Boston Book Co., 83-91 Francis St., Fen-
way, Boston.
H. W. Wilson Co., White Plains, N. Y.

Subscription Agencies:

J. W. Grumiaux, Le Roy, N. Y.
J. M. Hanson, Lexington, Ky.
A. C. McClurg, Chicago.
G. E. Stechert, New York City (especially
for foreign periodicals).

PICTURES AND CASTS.**Photographs:**

Berlin Photographie Co., 305 Madison Ave.,
New York City.
Braun & Co., 13 West 46th St., New York
City.
Curtis and Cameron, Copley Square, Bos-
ton (Copley prints; especially American
art).
Detroit Photographic Co., Detroit, Mich.
Eslon Art Publishing Co., Belmont, Mass.
Perry Pictures Co., Malden, Mass.
Soule Art Publishing Co., 502 Dudley St.,
Boston.
Underwood & Underwood, 3 and 5 W. 19th
St., New York City (stereoscopic views).
University Prints, 136 Stuart St., Boston.

Statuary, Reliefs, Casts:

P. P. Caproni & Bros., 1914 Washington
St., Boston.

Record Sheets:

Democrat Printing Co.

Shelf Label Holders:

Democrat Printing Co.
Gaylord Bros.
Library Bureau.

Signals, Smith Steel:

Democrat Printing Co.

Size Rulers:

Library Bureau.

STAMPS.**Embossing:**

Democrat Printing Co.
Gaylord Bros.
Library Bureau.

Perforating:

Library Bureau.

Rubber:

Democrat Printing Co.

Gaylord Bros.

Library Bureau.

George J. Mayer, 36 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

NEW LIBRARY BUILDINGS.

Butler.

The library building, the gift of the Carnegie Corporation to the Town of Butler and Wilmington Township, was dedicated on Monday, May 31, 1915. It was built at the cost of \$10,700. C. C. Ellwood of Elkhart, Ind., was the architect. The building is excellently planned, being adequate to the needs of the community. It has a commodious attractive exterior. The site for the building is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wilkinson and daughter, Juanita, in memory of Mary Bell Wilkinson.

Garrett.

The new building at Garrett was formally opened with a public reception on the afternoon and evening of April 24, 1915. C. C. Ellwood of Elkhart, was the architect of this building, which was constructed at the cost of \$10,000, the gift of the Carnegie Corporation. It is a handsome structure of brick with stone trimmings, being 57½ feet in length and 38 feet in width, with a book capacity for 10,000 volumes.

Kingman.

The new Carnegie Library at Kingman was also opened on Saturday, April 24th. This building was built for \$8,000. T. L. Brookie of Indianapolis, being the architect.

Liberty.

The new library building was dedicated on the evening of October 8th, Henry N. Sanborn, Secretary of the Public Library Commission of Indiana, being the principal speaker. The building, which cost \$10,000, a Carnegie gift, is 48 by 46 feet, of variegated mat brick, stone trimming and red tile roof. The main floor contains reading rooms for adults and children with a special reference room. The basement has an assembly hall, seating 300 persons. A

work-room and kitchen are also provided. The architect was Wilson B. Parker of Indianapolis.

Shoals.

The new Carnegie Library at Shoals was dedicated October 1st. The address was made by Ezra Mattingly of Washington, and music was provided by the Shoals High School orchestra. The building which cost \$10,000, is of Loogootee mat-face brick, chocolate in color, with chocolate mortar. The trimmings are Bedford stone, and the roof is red tile. The reading rooms and librarian's office are on the first floor. In the basement is an assembly room seating 200 people, two rest rooms and a janitor's room and furnace room. It is the intention of the library board to make the library as much of a social center as possible. The architect is Wilson B. Parker of Indianapolis.

Waveland.

The new Waveland-Brown Township Public Library dedicated its new \$10,000 library building April 17th. The address at the afternoon session was delivered by Demarchus C. Brown, State Librarian, on "The Library and Democracy". At the evening session, L. N. Hines, Superintendent of the Crawfordsville Public Schools, delivered an address on "A Sign of Progress". The building, a Carnegie gift, is a substantial brick structure with a frontage of 52 feet. Its width is 35 feet. This library has been the recipient of many gifts, notable among which is a beautiful oil painting entitled "A Harvest Scene in Brown County", the gift of T. C. Steele, the eminent Indiana artist who formerly lived in Waveland.

Westville.

Westville, a town of five hundred inhabitants, is one of the smallest towns in the United States to have a Carnegie Library building. This building which belongs also to New Durham Township, was dedicated and opened to the public August 4th. It is a handsome little structure, fifty by forty-eight feet, of a light grayish brown brick and is one-story in height with basement. Stone steps lead up to the double doors of plate glass and give entrance to the one large room which comprises the library and reading room on the main floor. This room is very tastefully and appropriately furnished. In the basement is

an assembly room and a kitchen. This building was built and furnished for \$8,000, the gift of the Carnegie Corporation to Westville and New Durham Township. Wilson B. Parker of Indianapolis, was the architect and Gross & Goodall of Laporte, were the contractors.

NEWS OF INDIANA LIBRARIES.

Albion.—During the summer an indoor fair was held for the public library and brought excellent financial returns.

Angola.—L. C. Stiefel of Angola, has presented to the Angola Public Library a handsome ornamental fountain which has been placed in the open space in front of the new library building. The gift will cost \$200. The corner stone for the new building was laid with appropriate ceremonies in June, and the construction work is advancing rapidly.

Auburn.—Robert Grafton's latest painting, "The Battle of Fair Oaks, Virginia", constitutes Mr. Charles Eckhart's latest gift to the Eckhart Public Library.

Bloomington.—The Bloomington Public Library has received an additional gift of \$3,500 from the Carnegie Corporation and will erect a \$31,000 building. Wilson B. Parker of Indianapolis has been chosen as architect. This library has tax support from the City of Bloomington, Perry and Bloomington Townships.

Borden.—The town of Borden and Wood Township have levied a tax for the support of a public library.

Bourbon.—Bourbon has appointed a library board.

Cambridge City.—The Cambridge City Library arranged for an interesting course of free lectures which were delivered at the library during the summer.

Carlisle.—The Public Library has organized at Paxton a reading club for boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 15 years.

Coatesville.—The Coatesville Public Library has purchased a lot on which to build an \$8,000 Carnegie Library building. Graham and Hill of Indianapolis have been chosen as architects.

Columbia City.—The People's Free Library at Columbia City is being reorganized and catalogued.

Crawfordsville.—On the afternoon of July 23d, the Art League of Crawfordsville hung a beautiful oil painting from the brush of Miss Mary Oda in the Public Library, thus adding to the collection that the League has lent to decorate the walls of this institution. During the afternoon the Art League and the members of the library staff gave an informal tea in the club rooms of the library and saw an exhibit of paintings by Fritz Schlemmer, a local artist.

Darlington.—The corner stone for the Darlington Public Library building has been laid and the construction work is progressing rapidly.

Evansville.—Public Library. A branch of the Public Library will be opened in the new Wheeler school building, at its completion this fall. On account of its central location, this branch library will be equipped with a full line of reference books and will make a specialty of children's work and school reference work.

Gary.—The Public Library has made the following extensions of its work: Branch in the postoffice at Griffith; deposit station in Neering store for the Glen Park district, and a branch library in Ross Township, which has recently levied a library tax. This public library serves one-fourth of Lake County, having branches in one city, four towns, three townships, and more than one hundred stations in Gary itself.

Gas City.—The Gas City High School Alumni Association has presented to the public library a handsome clock.

Greensburg.—The Greensburg Public Library was fortunate in securing a Forestry Exhibit from the U. S. Forestry Department during the month of August. This exhibit consists of samples of almost every timber grown in America, and full details of its commercial uses; also maps and diagrams showing where the timber is found, and elaborate photographic work. The collection is so arranged as to be of technical value to the student, and also of popular interest to the general public.

Indianapolis.—The bids on the new public library building were opened in July and the general contract was awarded to the George A. Fuller Company of Cleveland, Ohio. A week later the bonds were sold for \$4.25. The specifications upon which bids were submitted were on the plans prepared by Paul P. Cret of Philadelphia, who obtained the contract as architect after a competition of national interest. The building is expected to cost approximately \$500,000. It will have a frontage of 430 feet on St. Clair Street and a depth of 200 feet. The work of construction will begin soon.

Lebanon.—A collection of curios, collected from all parts of the world by the late William L. Higgins, has been presented to the Public Library by J. W. Pinnell and B. F. Coombs, administrators of the Higgins estate. This valuable exhibit has been placed in a handsome case in the southwest room of the library. There is also a bronze tablet announcing that the collection is presented in memory of Mr. Higgins.

Mishawaka.—A. F. Wickes of Gary, has been chosen architect of the new \$30,000 library building at Mishawaka.

Pierceton.—The town of Pierceton and Washington Township, Kosciusko County, have levied a tax for the support of a public library and the library board has been appointed.

Portland.—Morton S. Hawkins has presented to the Portland Public Library a complete set of session laws of the State of Indiana and the reprint of laws of Indiana Territory. These books were the former property of an uncle of Mr. Hawkins, the late ex-Governor Isaac P. Gray.

Shelbyville.—The Public Library has opened a branch library in School No. 5.

Terre Haute.—The Emeline Fairbanks Memorial Library has established two new branches, one at the Greenwood School and one at the Deming School.

Thornstown.—The Public Library at Thornstown has received a valuable gift in the private library of the late Eli F. Ritter.

Tipton.—The Tipton Art Association has purchased a beautiful painting, "Winter Noon-

day", by T. C. Steele, of Indianapolis, and it has been hung on the southeast wall of the Public Library. This makes ten beautiful pictures that have been placed in the library through the efforts of the Art Association.

Vevay.—The Public Library Board at Vevay has opened a reading room at Vevay in the Dufour Block, and established several deposit stations in Jefferson Township. The Vevay M. E. Church donated its entire library of 1,500 volumes to the public library.

Vincennes.—A corner of the Vincennes University Square has been purchased as a site for a new library building and Mr. Carnegie's offer of \$30,000 has been accepted.

Walton.—A public library has been established at Walton and \$10,000 has been accepted from the Carnegie Corporation for the erection of a library building.

Warsaw.—Wayne Township has noted a tax for the support of the Warsaw Public Library. A lot for a library building has been purchased by the library board.

West Lebanon.—The West Lebanon Public Library has accepted a gift of \$7,500 from the Carnegie Corporation for the erection of a public library building. The site for this building was the gift of Mrs. William H. Goodwine.

PERSONALS.

Miss Mabel Wayne of Decatur, Ill., has assumed her duties as librarian of the Anderson Public Library. Miss Wayne is a graduate of the Wisconsin University Library School, and has had a number of years' experience in the Decatur Public Library. Miss Kate Chipman, the former librarian, will have full charge of the reference work.

Miss Eulin Klyver, for two years assistant in the Franklin Public Library, has resigned her position to continue her college studies and has been succeeded by Miss Janey Van Nuyes.

Mr. E. T. Scott has been appointed librarian of the Westville Public Library.

Miss Rachel Agg has resigned her position as librarian of the Plymouth Public Library and has been appointed librarian of the Wheel-

er School branch of the Evansville Public Library.

Miss Edna Switzer of Plymouth, has succeeded Miss Agg as librarian of the Plymouth Public Library.

Miss Zada Grace Fisher, for several years an efficient member of the staff of the Gary Public Library, died at her home in Tolleston, June 14, 1915.

Miss Cerene Ohr, school reference librarian of the Indianapolis Public Library, attended the summer session of the New York State Library School this year.

Miss Harriet N. Berchholdt, New York State Library School, 1914-1915, began her work as librarian of the Extension Division of Indiana University, early in August.

Miss Eunice D. Henley, former librarian of the Wabash Public Library, has resigned her position in the Willows Branch, Glenn County Free Library, California, and has returned to Indiana to organize the Columbia City Public Library.

Mrs. Rosecoe Brumbaugh has resigned her position as assistant in the Columbia City Public Library and Miss Charlotte Briggs has been appointed to succeed her.

Miss Frank Hunt, clerk of the order department of Indiana University Library, has resigned her position and returned to her home in Corvallis, Oregon. Miss Louise Benson of Westfield, Indiana, has been engaged to fill the vacancy. Miss Benson has had her training in the Syracuse, N. Y., Library School.

Miss Rachael Haight, an assistant in the Indiana University Library, has also resigned to return to her former position in the library of the Oregon State Agricultural College.

Miss Zuna Blue, assistant, Connorsville Public Library, has resigned her position. Miss Edna Johnson of Connorsville, has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Miss Mellie Beckley has been appointed librarian of the Royal Center Library.

Mrs. Ida B. Cockrum has resigned her position as librarian of the Educational Department of Indiana University to become librarian of the Earl Park Public Library. Miss Myrtle Timothy, the former librarian of Earl Park, resigned her position in July.

Miss Blanche Fair has been appointed librarian of the Walton Public Library.

Miss Lela Coleseott has resigned her position as librarian of the Fowler Public Library and Miss Olive Gable of Fowler, has been elected to her position.

Miss Mary Linebarger who is under appointment as librarian of the Rockville Public Library, has been doing supply work in the Gary Public Library.

Miss Gertrude Aiken, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Library School, is at present acting librarian of the Seymour Public Library.

Miss Nellie Simmons of Crawfordsville, has resigned her position in the Moores Hill College Library to become librarian of the Darlington Public Library.

Miss Bess Painter of the Training School for Children's Librarians, Pittsburgh, Pa., has been appointed children's librarian of the Evansville Public Library. Miss Painter began her new work the first of September.

Miss Margaret Henley, who attended the University of Illinois Library School, last year, has accepted a position in Coe College Library, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. During the summer Miss Henley has been employed in the Archives Department of the Indiana State Library.

Miss Jean Booe has been appointed librarian of the Kingman Public Library.

Miss Jennette Reid Tandy has resigned her position as librarian of the Kendallville Public Library and Mrs. Estella Bunyan has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

Miss Mamie Ruth Martin, who has been in charge of the Emerson School branch of the Gary Public Library, has resigned her position and has gone to Aurora, Ind., to catalogue the Public Library.

Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, a member of the Public Library Commission of Indiana, and President of the Indiana Library Trustees Association, has been elected to membership on the American Library Association Council.

Miss Miriam Krom has been appointed librarian of the Vevay Public Library.

Miss Italia Evans has tendered her resignation as assistant in the Fort Wayne Public Library and will enter the automobile field as local sales manager for the Detroit electric.

Thomas Morris Hardy, president of the Library Board of Pendleton and Fall Creek Public Library, died suddenly of apoplexy on the

evening of May 31st, while he was responding to a toast at a G. A. R. banquet at Anderson. In the death of Mr. Hardy, Indiana has lost one of its most efficient library trustees. He had been president of the Pendleton Library Board since its organization, and was the pro-

moter of the library movement in Pendleton. In addition to the personal service rendered, Mr. Hardy donated the site for the library building and has generously contributed by subsequent gifts to the material support of the library.

